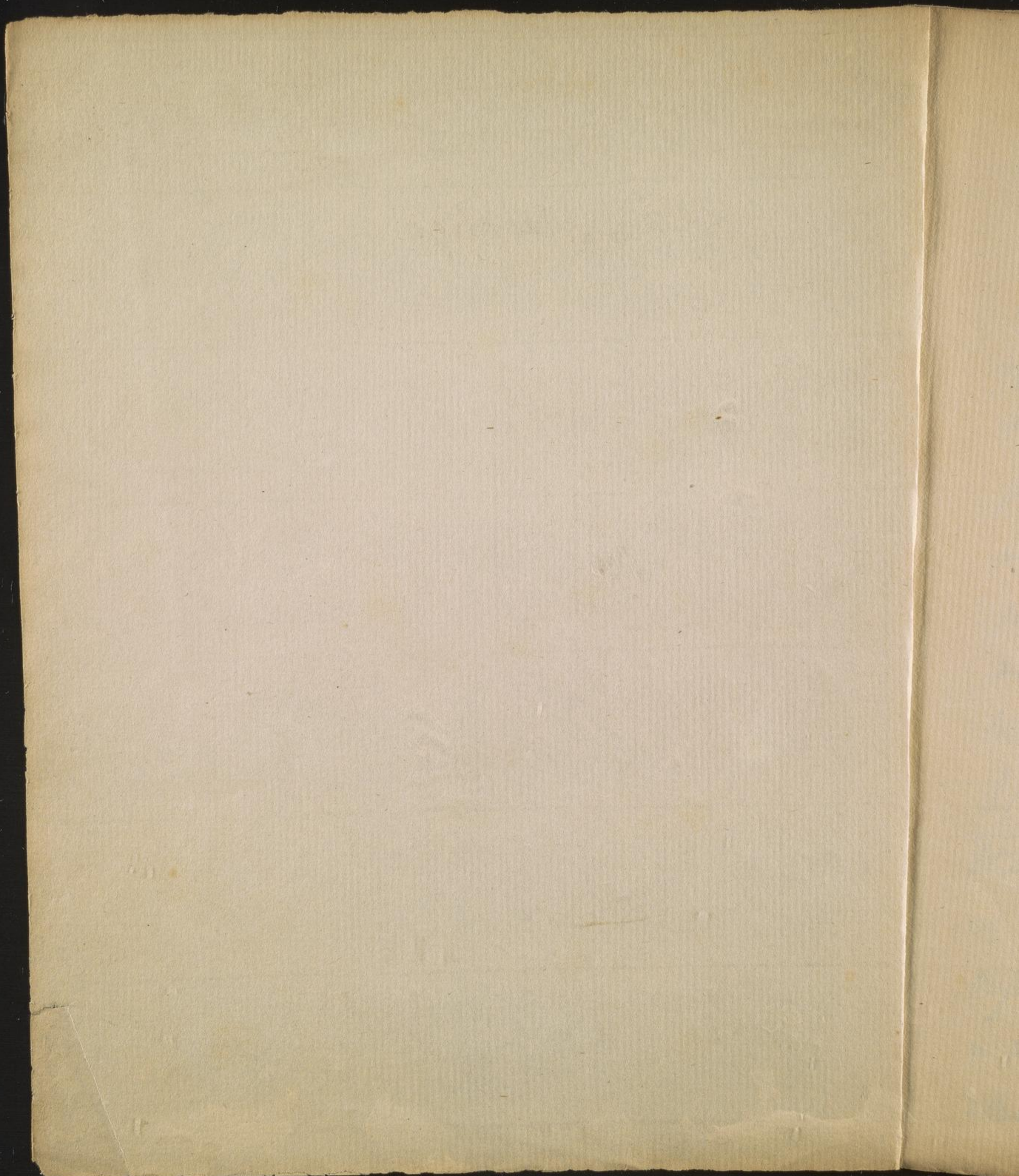


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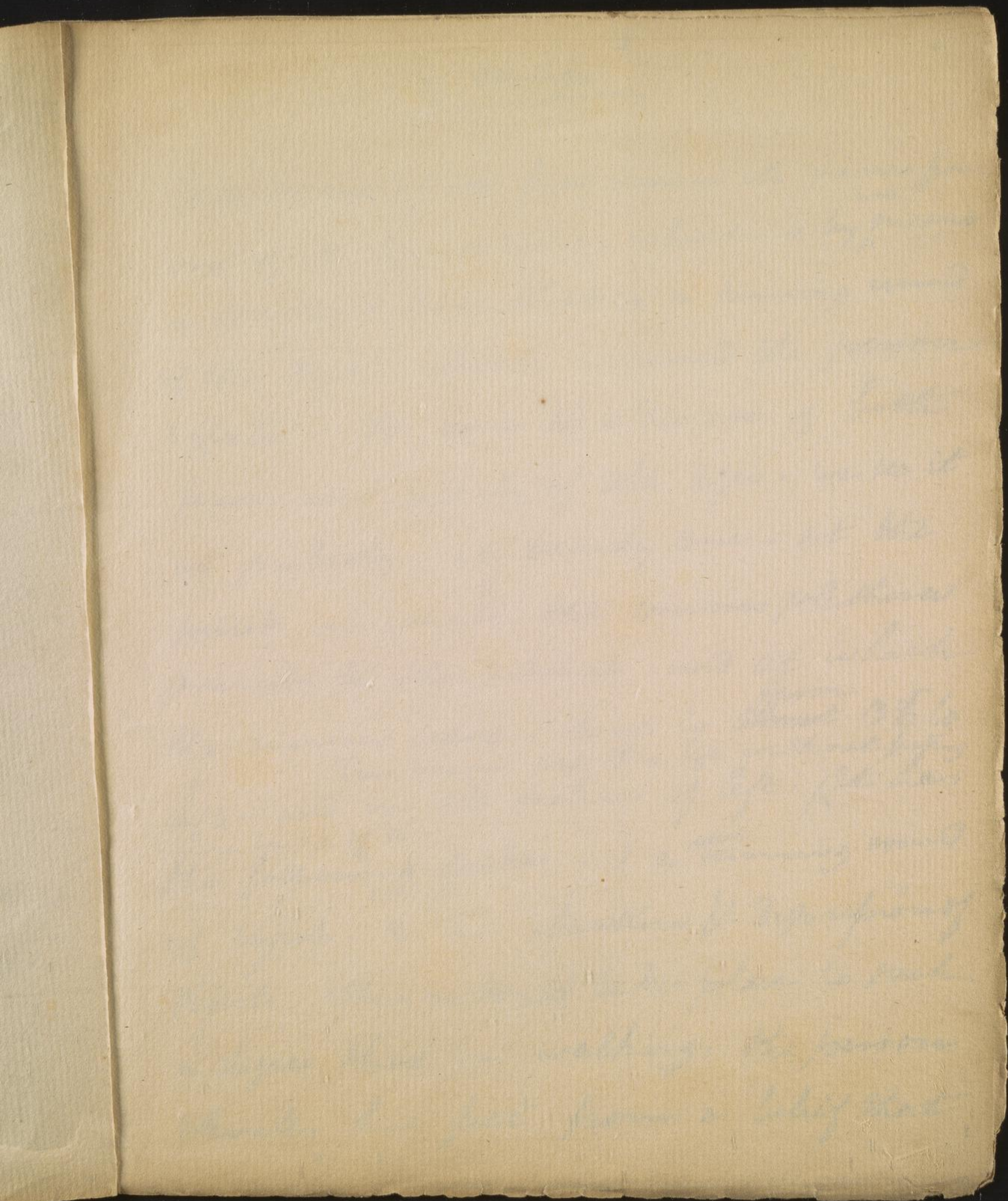
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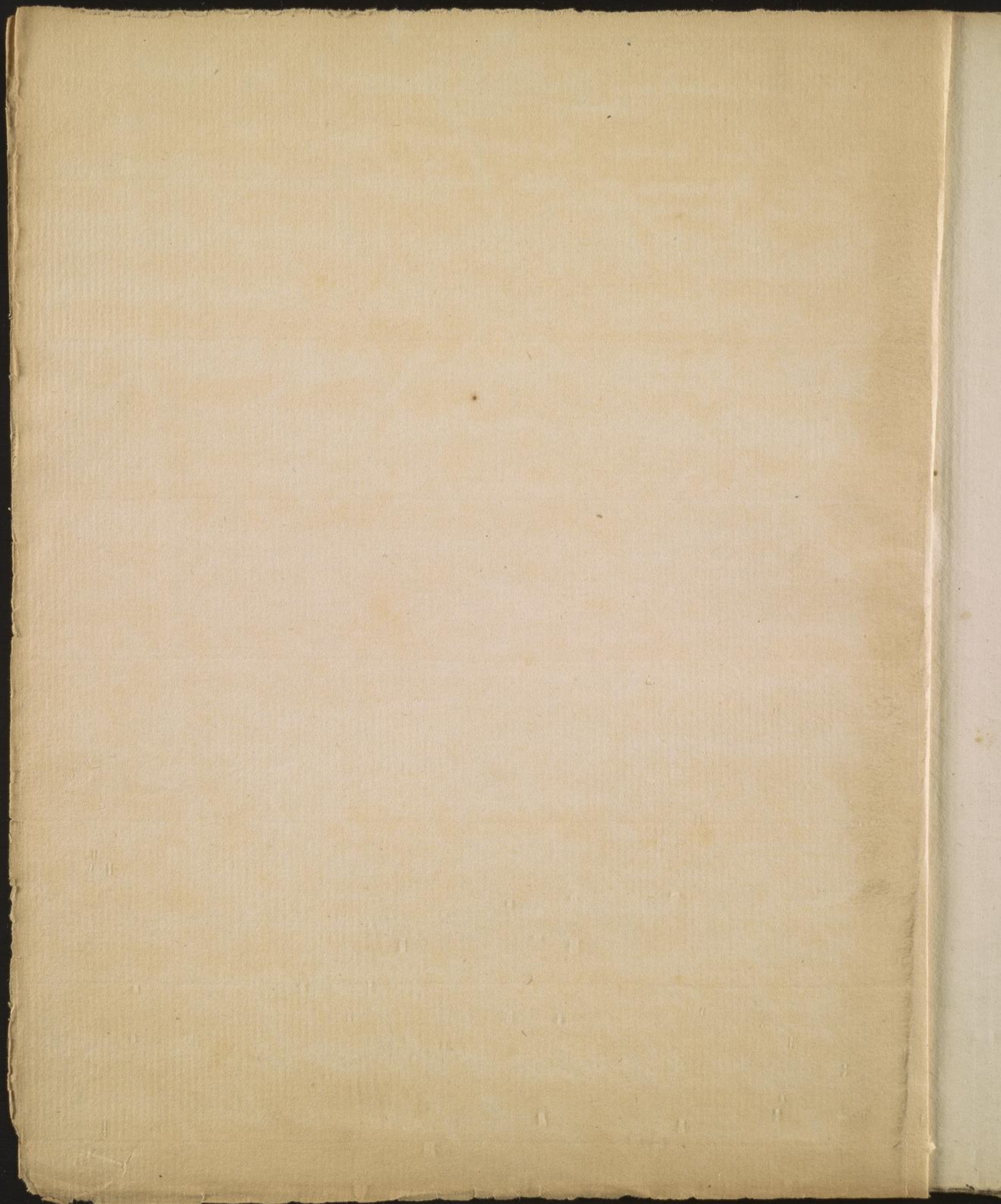














## of Vertigo

This disease of the head derives its name from  
one of its symptoms, which is by <sup>no</sup> means  
a constant one, that is a turning round  
of the objects which surround the person  
affected. It ~~be~~ is ~~to~~ a disease of both  
sexes, and nearly of all ages. we see it  
at puberty - at twenty one - at the  
period in which the venous plethora  
precedes to the arterial, and at which  
the menso cease, that is <sup>from</sup> ~~about~~ 35 to  
40 - and in the decline of life. <sup>Two persons pass this life without seeing</sup> It has  
<sup>more or less of it.</sup> the following grades. 1 a turning round  
of objects. 2 an elevation & depression of  
objects. This ~~is to be~~ takes place to such  
a degree that in walking, the person  
elevates his feet from a belief that



✓ In this state I have called it "Vestibular Apoplexy". The intellects and senses are not impaired in it. I met with a case of this form of Apoplexy in the Summer of 1811. My patient fell down ~~and~~ His pulse was at 40. ~~I told~~ It was ~~was~~ rendered frequent by one bleeding, and the loss of 8 ounces of blood by cups. His blood was siry. I have seen a case of in 1812 in which the patient was unable to sit up without sickness, or fainting for several months.



is sounding rising ground, or trends,  
 as if he were descending from it. This  
 false perception is called Vertigo. 3 a  
<sup>trembling of the head,</sup>  
~~trembling~~ 4 a fear of falling 5. Tremors  
 in the whole body 6 false vision 7 nausea,  
 and vomiting. 8 Trinitus and other noises  
 in the ears. 9 Darkness - 10 falling down.  
 11 fainting & finally 12 <sup>serious or sanguineous</sup> Apoplexy. It is  
~~the~~ alarming in the Order in which I  
 have enumerated its symptoms. The  
 seat of the Disease is <sup>in that part of</sup> the ~~in the~~ <sup>the</sup> sensorium  
 commune which communicates w:  
 the senses of vision & hearing, hence the  
 symptoms which have been enumerated  
 in those senses. The mind is generally  
 unimpaired in this Disease. we shall  
 not be surprised at this, if we admit  
 with D. Gall that it is seated in the Cortical  
 substance of the brain.



✓ It has lately ~~of~~ occurred from the  
same cause in <sup>in the year 1811 and 1812. Lastly</sup> many parts of the  
United States & Dr Darwin mentions  
~~a~~ a case of its occurring from undue  
efforts to hear in a person in whom  
the sense of hearing was beginning to  
decline from age. —



Its causes are transient, or permanent.

The former are - gyration, ~~or riding~~  
 whether active or passive - viewing ob-  
 -jects that turn round rapidly, - viewing  
 objects from a great height, - viewing a  
 rapid stream of water, - or a fall of  
 snow when it <sup>descends</sup> falls in a winding direction,  
 - sailing - riding in a carriage backwards,  
 ascending a winding stair case - <sup>stooping</sup> -  
 a sudden concussion of a seat or bench  
 rising suddenly on the feet. It acts by abstracting  
 on which a person is seated, & ~~lastly~~  
 blood from the head.

The concussion of the ground by an  
 earthquake. Dr Boerhaave says he  
 once felt it from the last canal in a  
 book store. Several persons who were in  
 the store with him were affected in the  
 same manner. <sup>v</sup> ~~In various instances~~

The disease from all these



✓ <sup>and</sup> ~~and~~ worms in the frontal sinus.

+ ~~a~~ tight ligation upon every part of  
the body, especially the neck. The ~~late~~<sup>last</sup>  
Judge of the Admiralty under the Bri-  
-tish <sup>parliament</sup> government in this state was  
affected with it whenever he wore  
a tight pair of shoes. — also



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canoes paper off with those ~~of~~ canvas.  
It is prevented ~~for~~ in several of them  
by closing the eyes. Horses are thus  
prevented from falling down when  
they perform operations in mills.

The present Causes of this disease both remote & exciting are local & general & sympathetic. ~~for~~ local ~~causes~~ are wounds, contusions & Concupiscence of the brain also insolation. General Causes are Tobacco - Drinking strong Coffee ~~etc~~ etc ~~from all~~ etc ~~especially about the neck~~ its Causes especially the suppression of customary evacuations. - Gout - Epilepsy, & lastly fevers more especially pneumonia, typhus, & typhoid ~~etc~~ etc ~~especially about the neck~~ Its symptomatic Causes are worms, bile, and wind in the stomach and bowels, also indigestible Aliment in the stomach.



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The Remedies for Vertigo, should be  
 recommended to its causes. ~~the~~

When local, those local causes should  
 be removed, and the usual remedies re-  
 sorted to cure this effect. I have

repeatedly cured it by simply <sup>forbidding</sup>  
~~the use of strong tea and coffee~~ <sup>particulars</sup> the latter.

Judge Ingersoll was instantly relieved of  
 his vertigo by pulling off his shoes, or  
 slipping them down at the heels. When

there is reason to suspect it arises from  
 worms or a worm in the frontal sinus,  
 an infusion of Tobacco, or a solution of  
 Alum should be snuffed up the nostrils.

When the Disease is connected with the  
 whole system and is accompanied with  
 a full <sup>or</sup> tense pulse the Remedies should  
 be 1 lb. This should be copious, or



v Disease of the brain than vertigo  
& produced by the translation of <sup>as I shall say possibly</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>to the</sup>  
Dura mater.



frequent & in moderate quantities according to the state of the grade of the disease, and the danger of its ending in apoplexy. - I have used Vd as an alternative for two years in a lady in this city & thereby cured it. It should be used for 20, or 50 years if indicated by the pulse, or if relieved by it. Recollect the words of the poet -

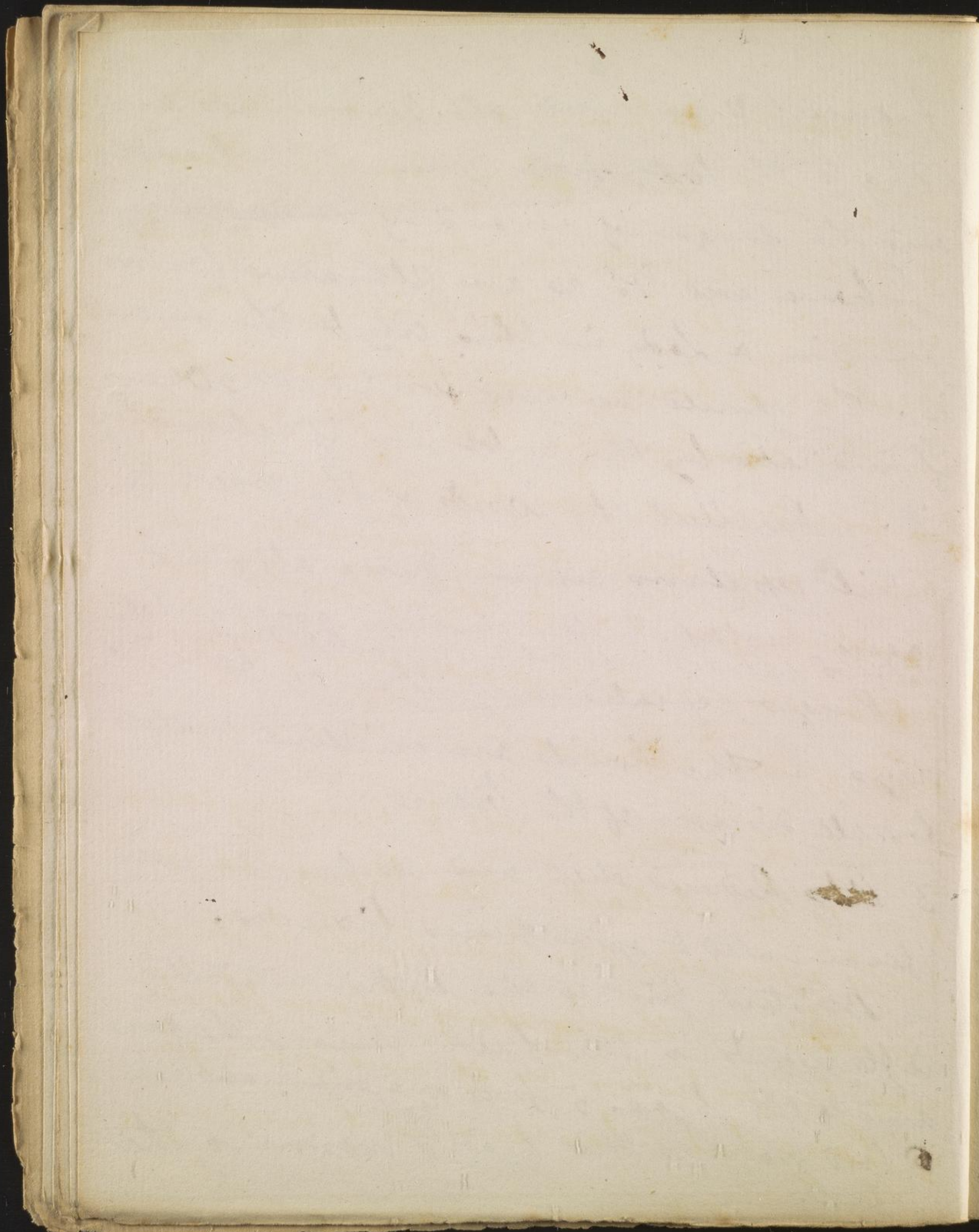
"nil reputans aeternum, dum aliquando  
agere restat." It is always a good sign when  
bleeding induces head ache. It is a life preserver ✓  
2 Purges repeated every three or four  
days. - The bowels are excellent outlets  
for all diseases of the brain.

3 ~~Red~~ Reduced diet, and abstinence from fermented & spirituous liquors.

4 Blisters first to the extremities &  
afterwards to the Neck - behind the ears  
and to the head. 5 Issues on a suppurating blister to  
the arm.

6 Cold water to the head, & warm to the feet.





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7 a plaster of Stannum was to the  
feet, - and thick ~~the~~ or double Phos.

8 After the pulse is reduced, tonic medi-  
cines should be. The first of these is  
Garlic. I have cured this disease often  
by this remedy. The late Dr Shippen  
found more benefit from it than  
from any other of 20 remedies he  
took for it. To this should be  
added the mild preparations of Iron,  
and gentle exercise. -

9 All its ~~very~~ remote & exciting causes  
should be abstracted. Tea strong tea, &  
Coffee especially the latter should be strictly  
forbidden - ~~the use of~~ Tobacco should  
not be forbidden or if used sparingly,  
if long habit has rendered it necessary,



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Tight Dresses and ligatures to any part  
of the body should be avoided. (Wedge)  
Ingersoll was always relieved of his  
Vertigo by only pulling off his shoes, or  
wearing them down at the heels. Costiveness  
in evacuations, or ~~and~~ expelled eruptions  
should be restored - costiveness should be  
obviated by gentle doses of Rhubarb in  
balls, or Vinous tincture, and if it be  
connected with Gout it should be invited  
to the feet, particularly to the ball of  
the great toe.

If the disease originate ~~from~~ <sup>in</sup> sympathy  
from offensive matters in the Stomach,  
or bowels, whether worms, bile, or  
indigestible Aliment, they should be  
dislodged by the emetics generally  
employed for that purpose. — V



